An Overview of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder



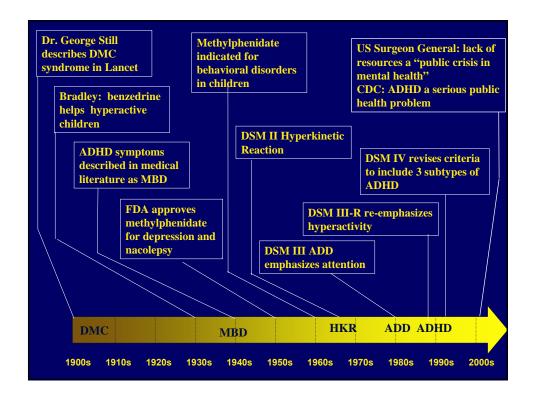
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Overview

- Clinical Features
- Impact
- Genes, Environment and ADHD

Clinical Features of ADHD



DSM-IV Criteria: Inattention

6 or more of the following—manifested often

- Inattention to details/ makes careless mistakes
- Difficulty sustaining attention
- Seems not to listen
- · Fails to finish tasks

- · Difficulty organizing
- Avoids tasks requiring sustained attention
- Loses things
- Easily distracted
- Forgetful

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DSM-IV Criteria: Impulsivity/Hyperactivity

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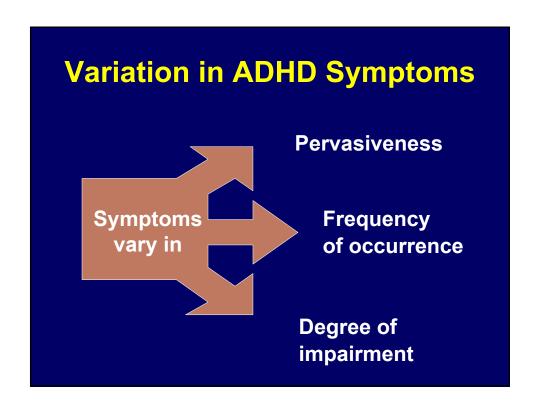
Impulsivity

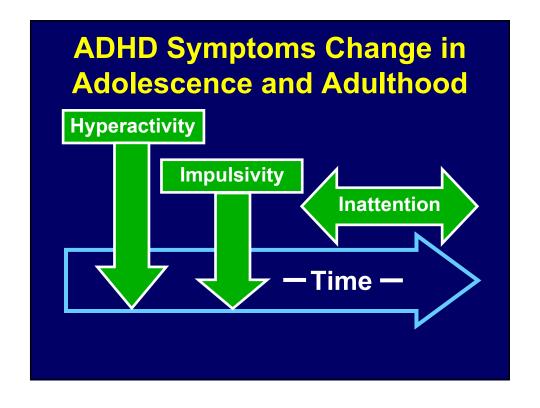
- Blurts out answer before question is finished
- Difficulty awaiting turn
- Interrupts or intrudes on others

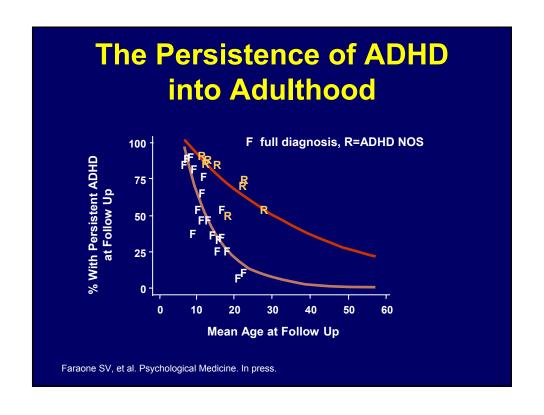
Hyperactivity

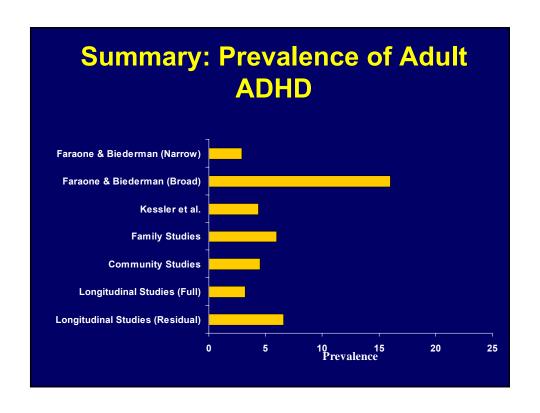
- Fidgets
- Unable to stay seated
- Inappropriate running/climbing (restlessness)
- Difficulty in engaging in leisure activities quietly
- "On the go"
- Talks excessively

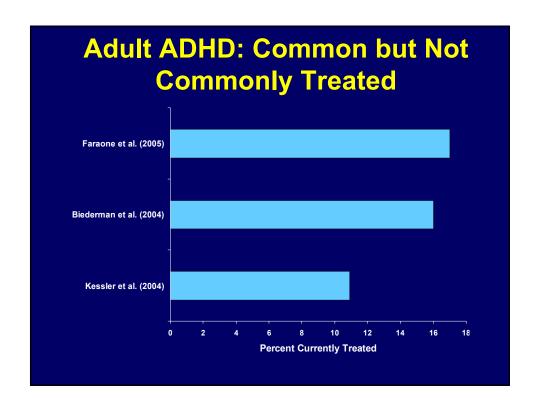
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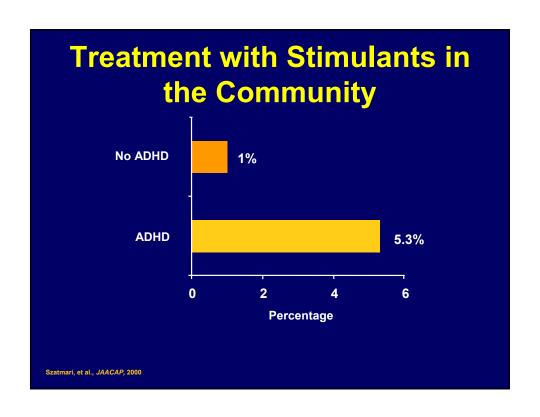


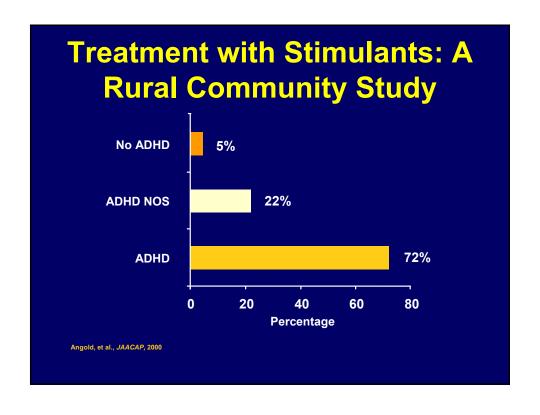


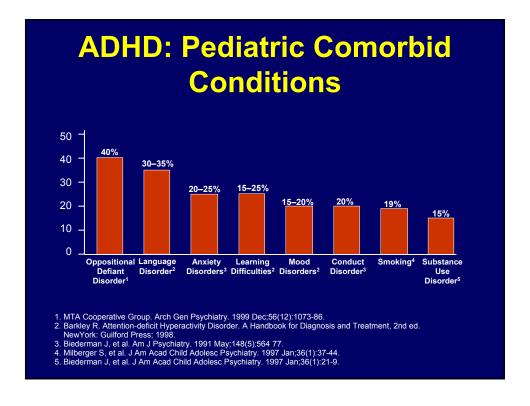


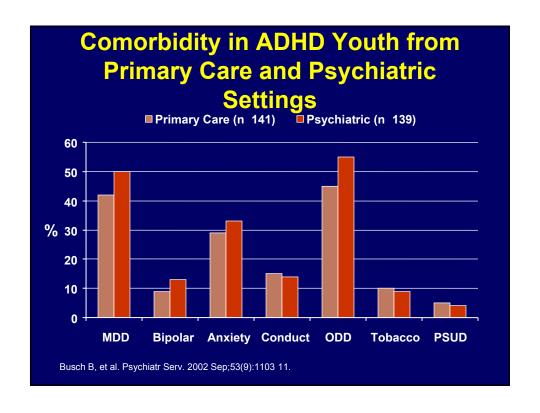


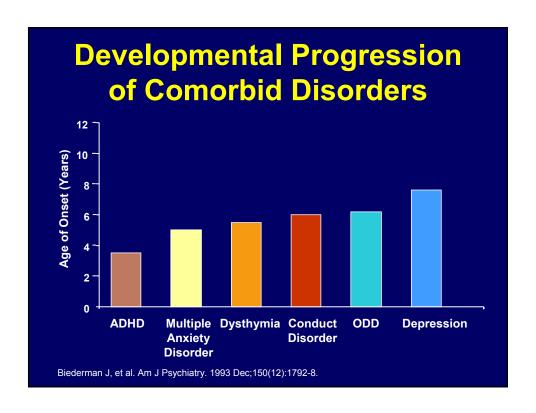












Cognitive Comorbidity: Functions Impaired in ADHD

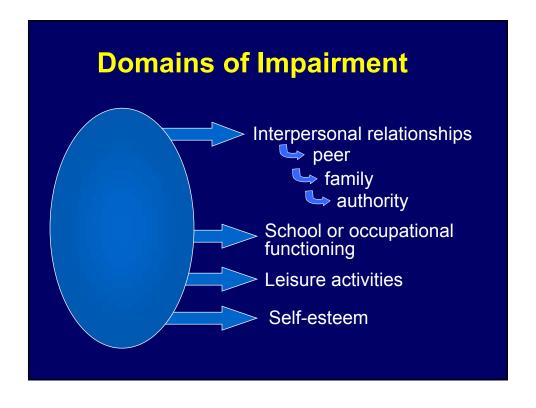
- Executive dysfunction
 - Filtering interfering stimuli
 - Maintaining focus and shifting attention when necessary
 - Sustaining attention
 - Inhibiting inappropriate responses
 - Organizing complex information

Cognitive Comorbidity: Functions Impaired in ADHD (cont'd)

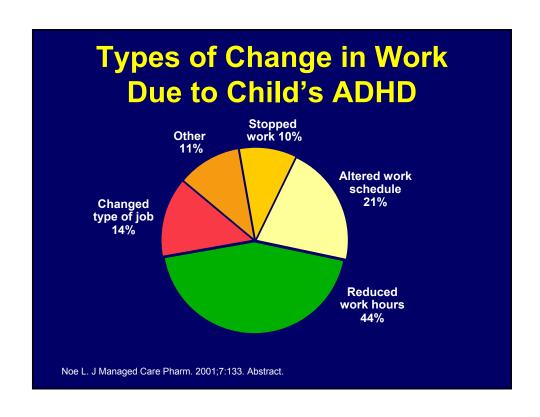
- Executive dysfunction (cont'd)
 - Planning
 - Holding information in working memory
- · Specific learning disorders
 - Reading, writing, math
 - Sequencing
 - Abstraction

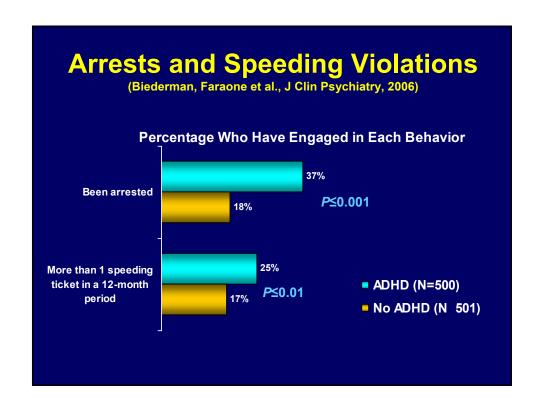
Neuropsychological comorbidity is associated with learning disabilities, school failure, and poor socialization

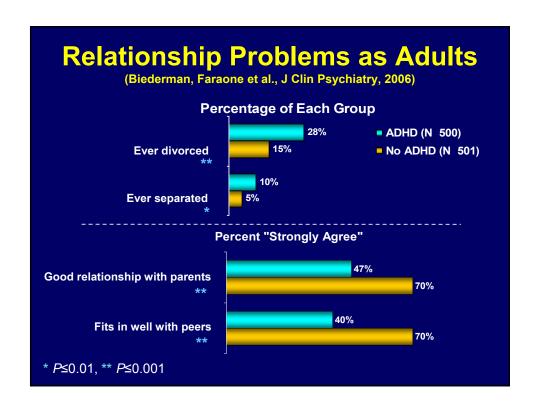
Impact of ADHD

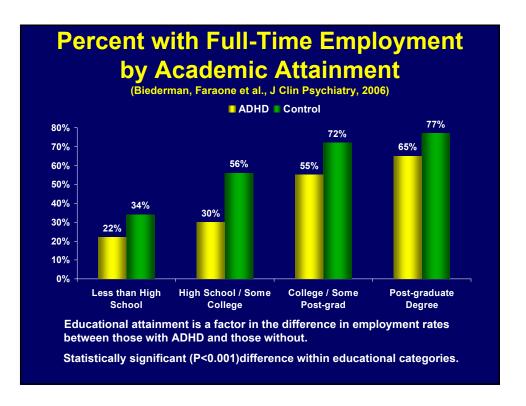


Parents of children with ADHD experience higher: Stress Self-blame Social isolation Depression Marital discord Mash & Johnston, J Clin Child Psychol, 1990; 19:313. Murphy & Barkley, Am J Orthopsychiatry, 1996;66:93.





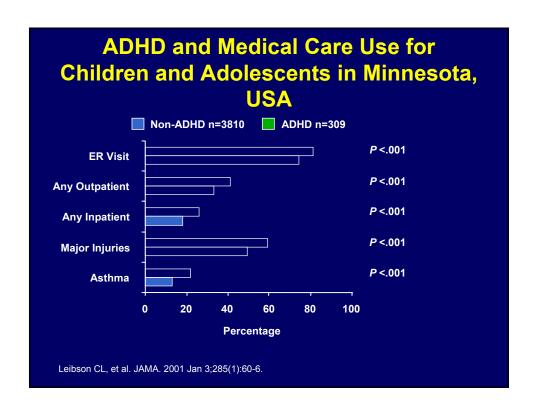


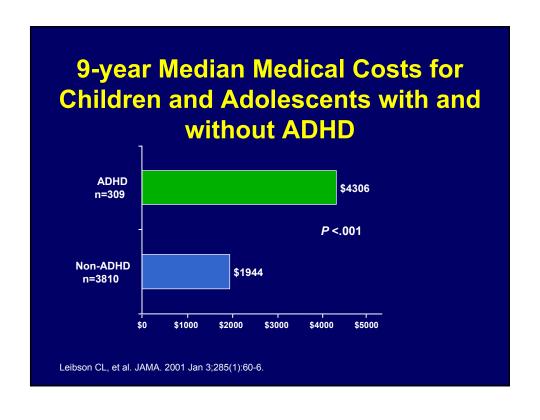


Mean Yearly Household Income

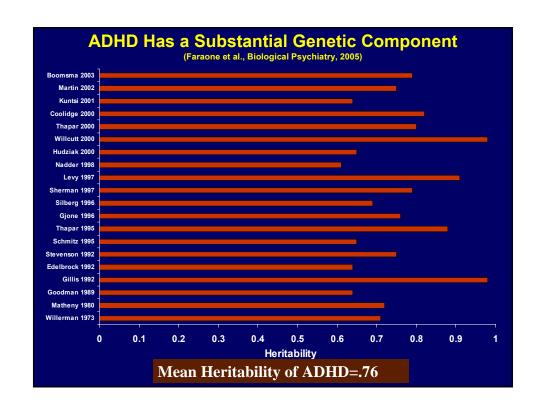
(Biederman, Faraone et al., J Clin Psychiatry, 2006)

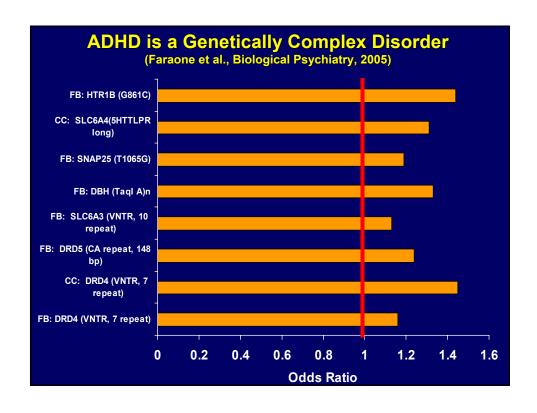
Parameter		ADHD (N=500)	Control (N=501)	P-value
Overall (\$)		41,511	52,053	<0.001
Sex (\$)	Male	45,645	54,399	<0.05
	Female	37,607	49,738	<0.001
Age (\$)	18-24	41,742	39,494	NS
	25-34	33,518	54,148	<0.001
	35-49	44,981	67,196	<0.001
	50-64	50,556	63,212	<0.05
Race (\$)	White / Caucasian	42,593	54,273	<0.001
	Non-White	32,750	46,030	<0.05
Marital Status (\$)	Married	50,806	64,928	<0.01
	Not Married	36,708	44,555	<0.05
Location (\$)	Urban	35,621	45,225	<0.05
	Rural	39,670	50,587	<0.05
	Suburban	51,501	61,427	<0.1





Genes, Environment and ADHD



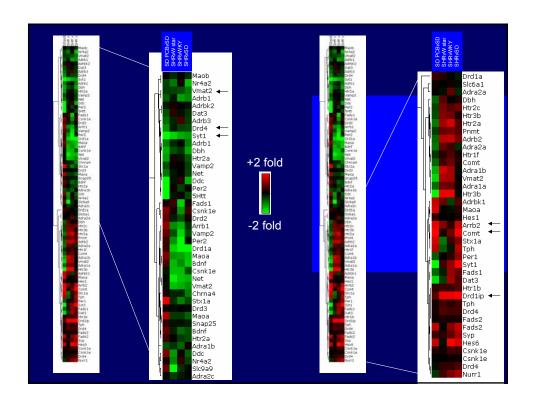


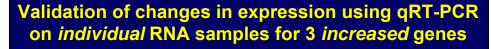
ADHD is an Environmentally Complex Disorder (Banerjee, Middleton & Faraone, Acta Pediatrica, in press) Pregnancy and Delivery Complications Exposure to Toxins mercury, manganese, lead polychlorinated bi-phenyls Fetal exposure to alcohol Fetal exposure to maternal smoking Chaotic family environments Low social class

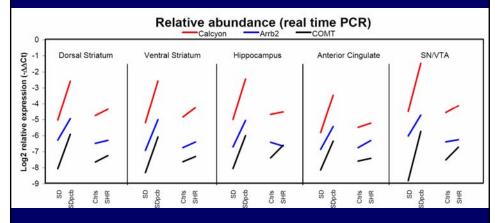
Maternal Smoking & ADHD Risk Genes (Neuman et al., Biological Psychiat, 2006) No in utero Exposure No in utero Exposure Part of the provided of the provided HTML of the provi

Animal Models of Genetic and Environmental Effects in ADHD

- Compare gene expression in 6 brain regions of rats
 - Genetic model of ADHD (SHR)
 - Environmental model of ADHD (perinatal PCB)
 Q. Are the changes of ADHD candidate genes the same or different in the two models?
- Compare gene expression in brains of mice/rats in 2 experimental paradigms
 - In utero nicotine exposed (ongoing)
 - Developmental cigarette smoke exposed (with J. Zelikoff)
 - Q. Are the changes of ADHD candidate genes the same or different as those in rat models?







NB: Overall confirmation of 29/30 observations (should all have positive slope)
Also note that PCB effects confirmed as MORE robust than genetic model

Other genes validated: Synaptophysin, Period 2, Synaptotagmin

in utero cigarette exposure effects on IMAGE genes

- Exposure to pregnant mouse dams equivalent to 1 pack/day, beginning at gestational day (GD) 4 thru GD 19
- No exposure after birth
- Examined IMAGE expression in 2 brain areas (SN-VTA, Vermis) in 8 young adult mice (4 male, 4 female)
- Focused on IMAGE genes with 2-fold changes

IMAGE gene probes with 2 fold changes

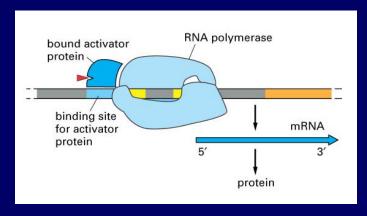
Probe Set ID	Gene Title		Log2 Diff SN-VTA		Log2 Diff Vermis		
		Symbol	Female	Male	Female	Male	Mean Diff
1423680_at	fatty acid desaturase 1	Fads1	1.53	5.26	4.26	2.34	3.35
1448280_at	synaptophysin	Syp	3.38	4.24	4.35	1.20	3.29
1452142_at	solute carrier family 6 (neurotransmitter transporter, GABA), member 1	Slc6a1	2.04	2.63	4.31	1.46	2.61
1436050_x_at	hairy and enhancer of split 6 (Drosophila)	Hes6	3.23	2.65	2.61	-0.46	2.01
1433884_at	synaptotagmin I	Syt1	2.11	2.93	2.46	0.48	1.99
1418701_at	catechol-O-methyltransferase	Comt	1.24	2.22	3.02	1.21	1.92
1420834_at	vesicle-associated membrane protein 2	Vamp2	3.11	2.94	1.30	0.27	1.91
1428813_a_at	dopamine receptor D1 interacting protein	Drd1ip	3.14	3.65	0.45	-0.33	1.73
1417415_at	solute carrier family 6 (neurotransmitter transporter, dopamine), member 3	Slc6a3	3.16	4.38	-0.29	-0.59	1.66
1443838 x at	fatty acid desaturase 2	Fads2	2.73	2.36	1.10	0.30	1.62
1419031_at	fatty acid desaturase 2	Fads2	2.54	2.18	1.25	-0.47	1.37
1426215_at	dopa decarboxylase	Ddc	2.19	2.90	0.20	0.03	1.33
1420833 at	vesicle-associated membrane protein 2	Vamp2	1.72	1.88	0.55	0.29	1.11
1428667 at	monoamine oxidase A	Maoa	1.19	1.30	1.05	0.50	1.01
1434450 s at	adrenergic receptor kinase, beta 2	Adrbk2	0.68	1.42	1.04	0.79	0.98
1437079_at	solute carrier family 18 (vesicular monoamine), member 2	Slc18a2	2.41	2.03	-0.87	-0.14	0.86
1449183 at	catechol-O-methyltransferase	Comt	1.84	0.95	0.50	-0.21	0.77
1434354 at	monoamine oxidase B	Maob	0.02	2,34	-0.04	0.66	0.75
1433719_at	solute carrier family 9 (sodium/hydrogen exchanger), isoform 9	Slc9a9	1.17	1.09	0.35	0.31	0.73
1417602 at	period homolog 2 (Drosophila)	Per2	0.75	1.40	0.72	0.04	0.73
1418932_at	nuclear factor, interleukin 3, regulated	Nfil3	1.35	1.12	0.45	-0.30	0.66
1440801_s_at	adrenergic receptor kinase, beta 2	Adrbk2	1.19	0.91	0.05	0.15	0.57
1426239_s_at	arrestin, beta 2	Arrb2	0.62	1.74	0.19	-0.30	0.56
1418950_at	dopamine receptor 2	Drd2	1.35	0.94	-1.06	-0.18	0.26
1435513_at	5-hydroxytryptamine (serotonin) receptor 2C	Htr2c	-0.01	0.54	-1.08	0.60	0.01
1433600_at	adrenergic receptor, alpha 2a	Adra2a	-0.75	0.49	-1.14	0.29	-0.28
1422830_s_at	dopamine receptor 4	Drd4	-0.19	-1.23	0.10	-0.11	-0.36
1450477_at	5-hydroxytryptamine (serotonin) receptor 2C	Htr2c	-0.39	-0.41	-1.07	-0.21	-0.52
1438282_at	synaptotagmin I	Syt1	-0.75	-1.10	-0.65	-0.04	-0.63
1437302 at	adrenergic receptor, beta 2	Adrb2	-1.11	-0.92	-0.98	0.22	-0.70
1422169_a_at	brain derived neurotrophic factor	Bdnf	-1.19	-1.11	-0.51	-0.82	-0.91
1442557_at	synaptotagmin I	Syt1	-0.75	-1.32	-0.58	-1.18	-0.96
1449804_at	phenylethanolamine-N-methyltransferase	Pnmt	-0.88	-1.50	-0.91	-0.71	-1.00

Note: MANY IMAGE genes are affected

Environmental Regulation of Gene Expression

Gene expression depends on:

can RNA polymerase II access the promoter? is the DNA bound to histone proteins acetylated or de-acetylated? are the CpG islands near the gene methylated or unmethylated?



From Essential Cell Biology, 2nd Ed, Garland Press, 2004

Epigenetic gene probes with 2 fold changes

		Log2 Diff SN-VTA		Log2 Diff Vermis		
Gene Title	Symbol	Female	Male	Female	Male	Mean Diff
Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	Sap18	2.20	3.12	2.79	1.32	2.36
histone deacetylase 11	Hdac11	2.34	4.28	2.20	0.36	2.29
Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	Sap18	1.51	2.17	2.37	1.53	1.90
CREB binding protein	Crebbp	2.34	1.77	2.92	0.42	1.86
p300/CBP-associated factor	Pcaf	0.87	1.76	3.46	1.35	1.86
MYST histone acetyltransferase 2	Myst2	2.55	3.10	1.05	0.04	1.69
Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	Sap18	1.51	2.03	1.71	0.55	1.45
methyl-CpG binding domain protein 2	Mbd2	0.83	1.34	1.43	1.62	1.31
Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	Sap18	1.73	1.40	1.57	-0.18	1.13
histone deacetylase 11	Hdac11	0.77	1.37	0.82	0.71	0.92
histone deacetylase 6	Hdac6	1.24	1.60	0.38	0.28	0.88
methyl-CpG binding domain protein 1	Mbd1	1.59	0.78	0.57	0.18	0.78
histone deacetylase 5	Hdac5	1.56	1.09	0.54	-0.30	0.72
DNA methyltransferase (cytosine-5) 1	Dnmt1	-0.44	-0.30	1.36	2.28	0.72
DNA methyltransferase 1-associated protein 1	Dmap1	1.14	1.23	0.23	0.00	0.65
methyl CpG binding protein 2	Mecp2	-0.09	0.38	0.70	1.51	0.62
GCN5 general control of amino acid synthesis-like 2 (yeast)	Gcn5l2	1.70	0.68	0.13	-0.09	0.61
methyl-CpG binding domain protein 3	Mbd3	1.39	0.53	0.43	-0.19	0.54
MYST histone acetyltransferase (monocytic leukemia) 3	Myst3	-0.14	1.00	-0.02	1.15	0.49
Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	Sap18	1.36	-0.11	0.48	-0.09	0.41
histone deacetylase 3	Hdac3	1.18	0.40	0.09	-0.24	0.36
DNA methyltransferase 3A	Dnmt3a	1.22	-0.21	-0.25	-0.13	0.16
methyl CpG binding protein 2	Mecp2	-0.71	-1.49	0.09	0.39	-0.43
p300/CBP-associated factor	Pcaf	-0.77	0.01	-1.17	-0.28	-0.55
DNA methyltransferase 3B	Dnmt3b	-1.65	-0.55	-0.69	0.46	-0.61
MYST histone acetyltransferase (monocytic leukemia) 3	Myst3	-1.19	-0.34	-1.02	-0.15	-0.67
histone deacetylase 10	Hdac10	-1.98	0.22	-1.98	0.65	-0.77
MYST histone acetyltransferase 2	Myst2	-0.43	-1.78	0.00	-1.07	-0.82
histone deacetylase 2	Hdac2	-1.13	-1.52	-0.53	-0.99	-1.04
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Summary

- Clinical Features
 - Hyperactivity, Impulsivity Inttention
 - Psychiatric Comorbidity
 - Neuropsychological Dysfunction
 - Course into Adulthood
- Adverse impacts of ADHD seen in
 - School
 - Socialization
 - Driving
 - The workplace

